



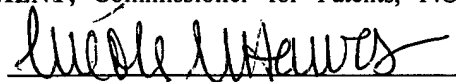
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 24, 2005, Applicant hereby requests entry of the following election.

Election

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-13, 20 and 22), drawn to a composition, method of attaching an agent to tissue and kit requiring a compound of formula I which is $X_2-L_2-A-L_1-X_1$.

Remarks

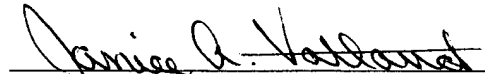
In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant has elected Group 1 with traverse. The traversal is made on the grounds that a search and examination of all of the presented claims would not require an undue burden of searching. This election embraces at least claims 1-13, 20, 22 and 74-77.

Having made this election, Applicant expressly reserves the right to file one or more continuing applications on the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Summary

If the Examiner has any questions and believes that a telephone conference with Applicant's representative would prove helpful in expediting the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,



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